**Attendance last Sunday:** 90

**General Fund offering:** $5,665.50+year-to-date = $96,334.98

**General Fund contributions budgeted for all of 2017:** $237,687.00

**Nehemiah Fund pledges:** $167,555.28; received to date:$143,730.28

##### THIS WEEK

**Wednesday, 9:00am-4:00pm** – Center for Community Justice training

**Thursday, 8:30am** – Open Circle & Friends at Granma’s House of Pancakes

**Thursday noon** – Bulletin items due

**Saturday, 8:00am-3:00pm** – Visioning Day Retreat, Amigo Centre

**COMING EVENTS - August**

**15** – Elders meeting, 6:30pm

**15** – MVS Support committee, 7:00pm

**16** – Gifts Discernment, 2:00pm

**17** – Elkhart Bible study, 1:30pm

**20** – Summer Sunday, 9:30am

**20** – Singing in Goshen, noon

**20** – Sojourners & Friends at Terri & Charlie Geiser’s home



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**PRAIRIE STREET MENNONITE CHURCH**

1316 Prairie Street, Elkhart IN 46515-1687

Sunday, August 6, 2017

*Joyfully following Jesus in a spirit of celebration, hospitality, and caring so that others may know Jesus and follow his way of peace.*

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**GATHERING** **TO WORSHIP**

### Welcome

### *Song folder* 978 – “Si tu puedes, cántalo”

### Call to Worship

**SINGING**

***Sing the Journey* 13 *–*** “My soul is filled with joy”

***Sing the Journey* 41 *–*** “Alleluia”

**CONFESSION AND WORDS OF ASSURANCE**

#### SHARING THE PEACE OF CHRIST

**BIRTHDAY/ANNIVERSARY BLESSING** – Frances Ringenberg

#### HEARING THE WORD

**Children’s time:** Carolyn Gardner Hunt

**Scripture reading:** Philippians 1:3-6, 9-11

**Sermon:** Rich Preheim

“If they have better ways”

#### RESPONDING

***Hymnal* 323** – “Beyond a dying sun”

**Sharing joys and concerns:** Brent Eash

**Offering – *Sing the Journey* 106** – “Just a closer walk with thee”

**Pastoral prayer:** Frances Ringenberg

#### SENDING

***Sing the Journey* 77 *–*** “The peace of the earth be with you”

Benediction: Carolyn Gardner Hunt

*A prayer team is available to pray with you at the front of the sanctuary following the service. You are welcome to request anointing.*

**THIS MORNING:**

**Worship leader:** *Nelson Kraybill*

**Pre-service music:** *Music team/instruments*

**Song leader:** *Carolyn Smith*

**Prayer team:** *Frances Ringenberg, Brent Eash*

**Spanish translator:** *Charlie Geiser*

**Visuals:** *Janice Wiebe-Ollenburger*

**Usher:** *Becky Miller*

**Greeters:** *Norm & Karen Cender*

**Hall monitor:** *John Bender*

**Church nursery:** *LaNasha Taylor*

**Fellowship-15:**

**Building lock-up:** *Ron Ringenberg*

AV technician: *Nick Bouwman*

**SECOND HOUR:**

**Children**:

*Kindergarten–Grade 4 – Lower Level*

*Grades 5-8 – MYF room*

**Adults:**

**Spanish Class/Discipleship** – *Lower level classroom*

**“Change in the church – Funk and us” – Rich Preheim** *– Fellowship Hall*

**NEXT SUNDAY:**

**Sermon:** *Frances Ringenberg*

**Worship leader:** *Brian Sutter*

**Song Leader:** *Ellen Kraybill*

**Children’s time:** *Matt Cordella-Bontrager*

**Prayer team:** *TBA*

**Visuals:** *Worship team*

Pre-service music: *Music team/instruments*

Usher: *Becky Miller*

Greeters: *Norm & Karen Cender*

Hall monitor: *Jerry Miller*

Church nursery: *Sidney Hawkins*

**Building lock-up:** *Milo Wiese*

AV technician: *Orion Blaha*

**ANNOUNCEMENTS:**

**Today’s Funk Celebration schedule:**

* 1**2:00noon – Potluck Picnic.** All are invited to stay and enjoy a picnic lunch. Grilled brats, hotdogs and baked beans provided.
* **1:30pm – Unveiling** of the new John and Salome Funk historical marker in front of our church building.
* **2:00pm – Those interested in the "Outsiders" folk art exhibit** at Midwestern Museum of American Art in Elkhart will tour this exhibit featuring folk art from marginal peoples. Included in the exhibit are Mennonite and Amish pieces loaned by Ervin and Phyllis Beck of Goshen--who will accompany us on the tour. Museum entrance is free on Sundays.
* **6:30pm – Cap off Funk celebration** at a free performance of Shakespeare's "Twelfth Night" at Wellfield Botanic Gardens. The touring company of the Notre Dame Shakespeare Festival offers an 80-minute modern take on this comedy featuring live music and a talented cast of collegiate actors. Join witty fools, foolish wits, and one set of shipwrecked twins in a beautiful outdoor setting. Free and family-friendly!  Bring blankets or lawn chairs.

**PSMC young adults** are invited to the home of Nelson and Ellen Kraybill for lunch at noon on Sunday, August 13. Enjoy a rice/bean and chicken meal--and talk to Kraybills if you can bring some salad, fruit, or home-made style bread.

**Sunday,** **August 20** is a proposed date for folks from Prairie Street to go sing for church members who, for health reasons, are not able to worship with us in person Sunday mornings. Worship is informal that morning (no second hour); the idea is to go out to lunch together after church and then continue on to Goshen to sing.  **Are you available that day?** Please call or text Pastor Carolyn at 574-350-6285 if you and your family can come.  As long as we have a critical mass of singing folks, it's a go!

**Want to bless Ana and Joe Smith** this week as their family prepares to move?  Consider dropping by Jubilee House with a bag of tiny oranges, apples the kids can eat out of hand, baby carrots...even a gallon of milk!   Packing and moving will be so much easier with nutritious snacks on hand for their growing family. THANK YOU in advance!

The **Anabaptist Network** in the United Kingdom is establishing a fund to continue the kind of work and scholarship that **Alan and Eleanor Kreider** developed there and elsewhere in the world.

See: http://mailchi.mp/e9b96d78cbcb/alan-kreider-legacy-fund

and consider making a contribution!  - Nelson Kraybill